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City of Conway, Arkansas

Ordinance No. O-10-08

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$13,350,000 OF WATER REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2010, BY THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING WATER REVENUE IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2001; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE PURSUANT TO WHICH THE SERIES 2010 BONDS WILL BE ISSUED AND SECURED; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT PURSUANT TO WHICH THE SERIES 2010 BONDS WILL BE OFFERED; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF THE SERIES 2010 BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN ESCROW DEPOSIT AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SERIES 2001 BONDS TO BE REFUNDED; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Conway, Arkansas (the "City"), a city of the first class, presently owns a water storage, treatment and distribution system (the "System") serving the residents of the City, which System is operated and maintained by the Conway Corporation, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Arkansas (the "Corporation"), pursuant to an exclusive franchise to operate the System granted to the Corporation by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is authorized under the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas and Arkansas Code Annotated Sections 14-164-401 *et seq.* (Repl. 1998 & 2009 Supp.) (the "Act") to issue and sell revenue bonds for the purpose of financing and refinancing the cost of improvements to the System; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has outstanding an issue of Water Revenue Improvement Bonds, Series 2001, issued in the original principal amount of \$12,000,000, of which \$12,000,000 in principal amount currently remains outstanding (the "Series 2001 Bonds"), issued under the provisions of Ordinance No. O-01-111 of the City, adopted and approved on November 27, 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has outstanding an issue of Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2005, issued in the original principal amount of \$8,295,000, of which \$4,115,000 in principal amount currently remains outstanding (the "Series 2005 Bonds"), issued under the provisions of Ordinance No. O-05-13 of the City, adopted and approved on February 8, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, the Series 2001 Bonds and the Series 2005 Bonds are secured by a pledge of the revenues of the System on a parity basis and were originally issued for the purpose of financing or refinancing improvements to the System pursuant to the authority of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to secure funds necessary to refund the Series 2001 Bonds, to fund a debt service reserve and to pay printing, legal, underwriting and other expenses incidental to the issuance of water revenue bonds for such purposes, the City has determined to issue its Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,350,000 (the "Series 2010 Bonds"); and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined to issue and secure the Series 2010 Bonds on a parity basis with its outstanding Series 2005 Bonds pursuant to a Trust Indenture dated as of September 1, 1993, as previously supplemented and amended, and as further supplemented and amended by a Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture to be dated as of February 1, 2010 (as supplemented and amended, the "Trust Indenture"), by and among the City, the Corporation and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (as successor to BNY Trust Company of Missouri, Boatmen's Trust Company of Arkansas and Worthen Trust Company, Inc.), as trustee (the "Trustee"), a form of which has been presented to and is before this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the City proposes to enter into a Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") in substantially the form presented to and before this meeting, with Crews & Associates, Inc. and Stephens Inc., Little Rock, Arkansas (the "Underwriters"), providing for the sale of the Series 2010 Bonds;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Conway, Arkansas that:

**Section 1.** The City Council hereby finds and declares that the refunding of the Series 2001 Bonds is in the best interest of the City and the customers of the System due to a reduction in the amount of interest expense secured by revenues of the System following such refunding. Accordingly, the refunding of the Series 2001 Bonds is hereby authorized.

**Section 2.** Under the authority of the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas, including, particularly, Amendment 65 to the Constitution of Arkansas and the Act, there is hereby authorized the issuance of bonds of the City to be designated as "Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010" (the "Series 2010 Bonds"). The Series 2010 Bonds shall be issued in the original aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Thirteen Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$13,350,000), shall mature not later than December 1, 2023, and shall bear interest at the rates specified in the Bond Purchase Agreement. In no event shall the interest rate borne by any Series 2010 Bond exceed 4.50% per annum, and in no event shall the average interest rate on the Series 2010 Bonds exceed 4.00% per annum. The Series 2010 Bonds shall be issued in the forms and denominations, shall be dated, shall be numbered, shall mature, shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity and may contain such other terms, covenants and conditions, all as set forth in the Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture. The Series 2010 Bonds shall be issued and secured by System revenues on a parity basis with the Series 2005 Bonds. The proceeds of the Series 2010 Bonds will be utilized to refund the Series 2001 Bonds, to fund a debt service reserve and to pay printing, underwriting, legal and other expenses incidental to the issuance of the Series 2010 Bonds.

**Section 3.** To prescribe the terms and conditions upon which the Series 2010 Bonds are to be executed, authenticated, issued, accepted, held and secured, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and acknowledge a Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture (the "Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture"), by and among the City, the Corporation and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (as successor to BNY Trust Company of Missouri, Boatmen's Trust Company of Arkansas and Worthen Trust Company, Inc.), as trustee (the "Trustee"), and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to execute and acknowledge the Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture and to affix the seal of the City thereto, and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to cause the Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture to be accepted, executed and acknowledged by the Corporation and the Trustee. The Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture is hereby approved in substantially the form submitted to this meeting, including, without limitation, the provisions thereof pertaining to the pledge of System revenues to the Series 2010 Bonds and the terms of the Series 2010 Bonds. The Mayor is hereby authorized to confer with the Corporation, the Trustee, the Underwriters and Kutak Rock LLP, Little Rock, Arkansas ("Bond Counsel") in order to complete the Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture in substantially the form submitted to this meeting with such changes as shall be approved by such persons executing the Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture, their execution to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

(Advice is given that a copy of the Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture in substantially the form authorized to be executed is on file with the City Clerk and is available for inspection by any interested person.)

**Section 4.** There is hereby authorized and approved a Preliminary Official Statement of the City, including the cover page and appendices attached thereto, relating to the Series 2010 Bonds. The Preliminary Official Statement is hereby "deemed final" within the meaning of U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12. The distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement is hereby approved. The Preliminary Official Statement, as amended to conform to the terms of the Bond Purchase Agreement, including Exhibit A thereto, and with such other changes and amendments as are mutually agreed to by the City, the Corporation and the Underwriters, is herein referred to as the "Official Statement," and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Official Statement for and on behalf of the City. The Official Statement is hereby approved in substantially the form of the Preliminary Official Statement submitted to this meeting, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to confer with the Corporation, the Trustee, the Underwriters and Bond Counsel in order to complete the Official Statement in substantially the form of the Preliminary Official Statement submitted to this meeting with such changes as shall be approved by such persons, the Mayor's execution to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

(Advice is given that a copy of the Preliminary Official Statement is on file with the City Clerk and is available for inspection by any interested person.)

**Section 5.** In order to prescribe the terms and conditions upon which the Series 2010 Bonds are to be sold to the Underwriters, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute, at the request of the Corporation, a Bond Purchase Agreement on behalf of the City, to be dated as of the date of its execution (the "Bond Purchase Agreement"), by and among the City, the Corporation and the Underwriters, and the Bond Purchase Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form submitted to this meeting, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to confer with the Corporation, the Underwriters and Bond Counsel in order to complete the Bond Purchase Agreement in substantially the form submitted to this meeting with such changes as shall be approved by such persons executing the Bond Purchase Agreement, their execution to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

(Advice is given that a copy of the Bond Purchase Agreement in substantially the form authorized to be executed is on file with the City Clerk and is available for inspection by any interested person.)

**Section 6.** In order to provide for the redemption of the Series 2001 Bonds, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute an Escrow Deposit Agreement to be dated as of the date of its execution (the "Escrow Agreement"), by and between the City and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as escrow trustee (the "Escrow Trustee"), and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Escrow Agreement to be executed by the Escrow Trustee. The Escrow Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form submitted to this meeting, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to confer with the Corporation, the Underwriters and Bond Counsel in order to complete the Escrow Agreement in substantially the form submitted to this meeting with such changes as shall be approved by such persons executing the Escrow Agreement, their execution to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

(Advice is given that a copy of the Escrow Agreement in substantially the form authorized to be executed is on file with the City Clerk and is available for inspection by any interested person.)

**Section 7.** In order to provide for continuing disclosure of certain financial and operating information with respect to the City and the System in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12 of the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Continuing Disclosure Agreement (the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement"), by and among the City, the Corporation and the Trustee, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Continuing Disclosure Agreement to be executed by the Corporation and the Trustee. The Continuing Disclosure

Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form submitted to this meeting, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to confer with the Corporation, the Trustee, the Underwriters and Bond Counsel in order to complete the Continuing Disclosure Agreement in substantially the form submitted to this meeting with such changes as shall be approved by such persons executing the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, their execution to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

(Advice is given that a copy of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement in substantially the form authorized to be executed is on file with the City Clerk and is available for inspection by any interested person.)

**Section 8.** The Mayor and City Clerk, for and on behalf of the City, are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to effect the issuance, sale, execution and delivery of the Series 2010 Bonds and to effect the execution and delivery of the Fifth Supplemental Trust Indenture, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, the Bond Purchase Agreement, the Escrow Agreement, the Official Statement and a Tax Regulatory Agreement relating to the tax exemption of interest on the Series 2010 Bonds, and to perform all of the obligations of the City under and pursuant thereto. The Mayor and the City Clerk are further authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the City, to execute all papers, documents, certificates and other instruments that may be required for the carrying out of such authority or to evidence the exercise thereof.

**Section 9.** Kutak Rock LLP, Little Rock, Arkansas, is hereby appointed to act as Bond Counsel on behalf of the City in connection with the issuance and sale of the Series 2010 Bonds.

**Section 10.** The rates for services of the System previously enacted pursuant to Ordinance No. O-08-71 are hereby ratified and confirmed.

**Section 11.** The Series 2010 Bonds are hereby designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The City hereby represents and covenants that the aggregate principal amount of its tax-exempt obligations (excluding "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code), including those of its subordinate entities, issued in calendar year 2010 will not exceed \$30,000,000.

**Section 12.** The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared to be illegal or invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions of this Ordinance.

**Section 13.** All ordinances, resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 14.** It is hereby found and determined that there is an urgent need to refinance certain outstanding indebtedness of the City secured by the revenues of the System in order to lower the interest cost on obligations payable from System revenues, and in order to do so on the most favorable terms, it is necessary to enter into the Bond Purchase Agreement as soon as possible. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance, being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare, shall be in force and take effect immediately upon and after its passage.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2010.**

**APPROVED:**



**Mayor Tab Townsell**

**ATTEST:**



**Michael O. Garrett  
City Clerk/Treasurer**

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